



# WORSHIP WITH US!

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## True Value

There are those in the world who believe that our personal value is based upon how good we are, how good we perform, or how much we have acquired. This affects young people, the elderly, and everyone in between.

Young people are pressured by their peers to wear the right kind of clothes or to be a part of the in-crowd. Some are pressured to excel academically or athletically; for them this is a way to gain acceptance, which means they've succeeded—they have value. I'm not saying these are bad goals to have in life, but too often our children feel as though their worth is solely based upon what they do.

Then there's the pressure young parents put on themselves. It's natural that you would want to be a super dad or the best mom ever—always saying and doing just the right thing. This idealistic mindset can easily become the gauge by which we measure our value as parents. Please don't do this (I speak from experience). It's unrealistic to think that your value as a parent comes from being perfect. If you do, you're going to be deeply disappointed, especially when you fail. And Lord knows that each of us, parent or not, have at times failed miserably.

Older folks aren't exempt from the pressure of basing their worth upon some sort of performance. Many of us are pressured to work harder, longer and smarter, or to invest wiser in order to earn more money. As a result we can buy a bigger home, a fancier car, a lake cottage, and a nice boat. In our materialistic world one's value is frequently determined by these monetary factors or at the very least by being able to portray success (real or not) to others.

To measure our value based upon human efforts will only leave us with a feeling of despair and hopelessness; because we'll never live up to the expectations of others or our own.

True value comes from outside of us—from a source that never fails. For the Christian our value is found in the good news of the Gospel—that for Christ's sake God is not counting our sins against us. This message of salvation comes to us as God's free gift through faith in Jesus Christ—who never fails us. He is the One who gives our lives value.

In God's scheme of things—you and I have value or worth only as the Holy Spirit moves us to become painfully aware of our unworthiness—our sin that stands between us and the heavenly Father. Those who see their unworthiness through the Spirit's power are ripe for the Lord Jesus and his saving act—his life, death, and resurrection. To these folks the Gospel in all its fullness gets through for all its worth, not because your knowledge about your unworthiness merits salvation, but because of God-manufactured repentance and God-worked faith through which you are given God-prepared salvation.

In this day and age when so many things come into question and almost everything is up for grabs; remember that you have value. You have true value because through the Spirit's power, you, God's dear child, have come to know the love of Christ and his willingness to forgive all your sins.

In Him Who Gives Us Value,

Pastor Marcus Powers

**Financial Information—  
April 2015**

The following information was reported by our congregational treasurers.



**Church Operating Budget**

Income	April 2015	Year to Date
Offerings	23,443.00	88,050.61
Anniversary Thank Offering	<u>1,037.00</u>	<u>1,062.00</u>
Total Income	<u>\$ 24,480.00</u>	<u>\$ 89,112.61</u>
Disbursements		
Mission Outreach	1,475.00	9,701.00
Salaries & Benefits	15,205.05	56,473.18
Christian Education	-	889.96
Administration	1,017.23	6,349.61
Maintenance & Supplies	759.34	3,648.98
Utilities	<u>963.49</u>	<u>6,413.18</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>\$ 19,420.11</u>	<u>\$ 83,475.91</u>
 Net Income	 <u>\$ 5,059.89</u>	 <u>\$ 5,636.70</u>

**Specific Funds**

Income	April 2015	Year to Date
Bldg Maintenance & Imprv.	670.00	3,834.86
Trustee's Fund	1,262.00	2,792.00
Capital Improvements	-	6,325.00
Total Specific Funds	<u>\$ 1,932.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,951.86</u>

(Church Improvement Projects In Progress)

Replace all double hung windows

New flooring quilt's room

**Congratulations to the 2015 Graduates**

We would like congratulate our High School graduates as they receive their diplomas. This is truly a milestone in your life, but be prepared for even greater things to happen in the coming years.

You will face many changes in life. As you accept your diploma, you step into a new relationship with parents, friends, and others. But the one thing that will never change is the love that God has for you in Christ Jesus. His love is the same yesterday, today, and forever. Therefore, along with your parents, we commit you to His love and care. God's richest blessings to you now and forever.

We will recognize all graduating seniors at the **9:30 am worship service on June 7<sup>th</sup>**.

**OUR SAVIOR'S MISSION STATEMENT**

Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Missouri Synod, is a family of believers growing together in faith as we joyfully **worship** the Triune God-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit we willingly **serve** our Lord Jesus Christ and **share** his love with others.

**WORSHIP...SERVE...SHARE**



THIS COPY OF OUR SAVIOR'S MESSENGER IS A COMBINED COPY FOR THE MONTHS OF June & July. PLEASE WATCH YOUR WEEKLY SUNDAY BULLETIN FOR ANY OTHER ADDITIONAL AND PERTINENT EVENTS NOT LISTED IN THE NEWSLETTER OR ON THE ENCLOSED TWO MONTHS' CALENDARS.



## VOTERS MEET JULY 19<sup>th</sup>

The quarterly voters' meeting is set for Sunday morning, July 19<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 worship service.

The work and business of the Lord's Kingdom continues throughout the year, including the summer season. While some members of our members will be away on vacation at this time, we sincerely encourage all our members to make every effort to attend this regular meeting of the Voters' assembly.

Please set aside **Sunday morning, July 19<sup>th</sup>** for this summer's voters' meeting - as we work together for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

### Pastoral acts:

#### Baptism

Hayden Scott Remington  
Son of Holly Remington  
May 17, 2015

#### Mary Martha News

Helen Rautmann opened the May meeting of Mary Martha with a devotion. Our speaker for the afternoon was Elisabeth Wieland, Executive Director of Bookworm Gardens. She shared with us how the Gardens came into existence and the many activities that are available. Admittance is free as are guided tours of the Gardens.

We will meet on Tuesday, June 2, 12:30pm at Riverdale Country Club for lunch. This will be our last meeting until September 2015. Wishing all a wonderful summer.

The Committee

### TODAY'S MEDITATION

*Is broadcast weekdays on  
WJUB 1420 AM at approx 7:25am*

Week of June 7 – Rev. Nathan Meador  
Week of June 14 – Rev. Kurt Zieman  
Week of June 21 – Rev. Robert Steele  
Week of June 28 – Rev. Nathan Meador

## WORSHIP BY THE SHORE

The Social Activities Group will be sponsoring a worship service and cook-out at Deland Park on Sunday, August 23, 2015.

Please Note: There will be a worship service at church at 8:00am and then we will hold the late service at the park at 10:30am and cook out following.

Ticket sales will begin late July or beginning of August. Watch upcoming bulletins for full information and the August Newsletter.

Mark your calendar for August 23rd for a fun family day at the beach and enjoy the fellowship of your brothers and sisters in Christ.

If you have any questions or would like to help please contact any member of the Social Activities Group member:

Robyn Bemowski - 803-0958  
Dawn Brauer - 457-5321  
Linda Fleck - 452-7484  
Gail Hajenga - 457-7561  
Marilyn Heling - 458-5336  
Kelly Jaeger - 457-5175  
Clara Murphy - 457-5175  
Marijo Pitsch - 783-8004  
Jane Woodard - 459-8965

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Week of July 5 – Rev. Peter Peitsch  
Week of July 12 – Rev. Nathan Meador  
Week of July 19 – Rev. Robert Steele  
Week of July 26 – Rev. Richard Bidinger

## Rummage Sale 2015

The storage room will be available to bring your items to the rummage sale starting on June 14th. By that time, Bill will have the floors all cleaned and buffed and ready to go. As a reminder, we do not take anything with Freon (like dehumidifiers), large appliances (like clothes dryers), computers, TVs, or baby car seats. Please make sure any appliances (like toasters and blenders) that you donate work properly and are clean. There will be some empty boxes in the storage room for anyone who needs boxes to pack their items in. The tax deduction forms will also be available for you.

If you are having a rummage sale of your own this summer, consider donating your unpurchased items to the church rummage sale. Getting new furniture? We can sell your gently used items at the rummage sale. So now is the time to start cleaning out those closets, attics, and basements and box up the items.

Thank you so much for your willingness to donate you items. If you have any questions, please contact Clara Murphy or Mike Feudner.

### VACATIONS, OUR OFFERINGS, HIS WORK:

Vacations are necessary "breaks" from the job and the routine of life. They are important for our well being and they are vital to physical and emotional health.

Most vacations and weekend outings occur during the summer season. During this time of year, worship attendance in most churches declines, along with the offerings to carry out the Lord's Work "in season and out of season."

While on vacations or weekend outing, we'd encourage you to worship with Christians in sister congregations. Because the weekly needs of your home congregation continues when you're absent from church, we'd encourage you to practice the Bible's teaching of weekly giving by giving offerings even when absent from worship.

Christian giving - according to each person's ability and on a weekly basis - is an expression of faith in Jesus Christ, as we yield our hearts in obedience to His Will.

Many of our members continue to worship throughout the year as our Lord commands in I Cor. 16:2. Other members are continuing to provide offerings by either mailing their gifts directly to the church, or bringing them with them before they leave or after they return from vacation.

Thanks for your love and dedication to Him, whose daily, faithful and life-long grace gives us salvation; and the abundant life.

### Parish Nurse News

Dear Friends in Christ –

What are your risks for cancers and how can you lower them?

Breast:

- Are a woman 65 or older
- Have a relative who had breast cancer
- Have mutations in genes
- Had menstrual periods before age 12 or menopause after 55
- Were older than 30 when you had first child
- Never gave birth
- Took hormones after menopause
- Have dense breast tissue
- Have abnormal breast cells

Colon and Rectum

- 50 or older
- Have family members who had colon CA or polyps
- Had colon polyps
- Have ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease
- Smoke

Esophagus

- Over 55
- Male
- Use tobacco
- Have Barrett's esophagus

Liver

- Have chronic hepatitis B or C infection
- Have diabetes
- Have alcoholic liver disease or cirrhosis
- Smoke

**Lung**

- Smoke or have smoked
- Had long term exposure to radon, asbestos, diesel exhaust, air pollution or second hand smoke
- Family member who had lung CA

**Ovary**

- Have had breast CA
- Family member who had breast or ovarian CA
- Have mutation in genes
- Never gave birth
- Take or took estrogen (without progesterin) within last three years

**Pancreas**

- Family member who had pancreatic CA
- Have type 2 diabetes
- Smoke
- Have chronic pancreatitis

**Prostate**

- Over 50
- Family member who had prostate CA
- Had a biopsy that found high-grade prostatic intraepithelial neoplasia
- Are of African ancestry

**Uterus**

- Never gave birth
- Started menopause after 55
- Have taken estrogen without progesterin
- Have diabetes
- Have high blood pressure

As with everything else, you can lower your risk by exercising, losing weight and adding more fruits and vegetables to your diet. Also,

1. Don't use tobacco.
2. Lose (or don't gain) excess weight
3. Limit red and processed meats
4. Limit alcohol to 2 servings a day (men) or as little as possible (women)
5. Get at the least 30 minutes of exercise a day.

Have a blessed and safe summer. Hopefully the weather will start cooperating so we can all get outside for our health.

(Info from Nutrition Action, May 2015)

**Deb**

Blood Pressure – June 14<sup>th</sup>. (I'll be out of town June 7.)

Office Hours:

Tuesdays – 1:30-3:30pm  
Thursdays – 4:00-5:55pm

**Our Savior's Softball Team Schedule:**

**June 1:** 7:00pm South Field vs. St. Paul Crusaders

**June 8:** 7:00pm South Field vs. Our Redeemer Royals

**June 15:** 7:00pm South Field vs. Immanuel Warriors

**June 22:** 7:00pm South Field vs. First United Sluggers

**June 29:** 6:00pm South Field vs. St Paul Crusaders

**July 6:** 6:00pm South Field vs. Our Redeemer Royals; 7:00pm South Field vs. First United Sluggers

**July 13:** 7:00pm South Field vs. Our Redeemers Royals

**July 20:** 6:00pm South Field vs. St. Paul Crusaders

**July 27:** 6:00pm South Field vs. Immanuel Warriors

**August 3:** 6:00pm South Field vs. First United Sluggers

**August 10:** 6:00pm South Field vs. Immanuel Warriors; 7:00pm South Field vs. First United Sluggers

**NEWS FROM OTHER LUTHERANS**

**SAVE THE DATE . . .** June 13, 2015 for the 29th Annual Lutheran High Golf Tournament. A.M. tee times. Golfers needed (male, female, youth). No experience necessary. Great tournament. Great fun. Great cause.

**Baseball Games . . .** Trinity Lutheran Church in Howards Grove WI will be going to the Timber Rattlers Game on Sunday June 28 and the Brewer Game on Sunday, August 9th. Both games are at 1:00 p.m. We will leave at 10:45am for both games. Timber Rattlers Game is \$42.00/person and includes the ticket, Discovery Coach bus and lunch. Brewer Game is against the St. Louis Cardinals and is \$85.00 and includes the ticket, Discovery Coach bus and lunch. We have nice tickets/ Section 225. Rows 6-9. If you are interested in either game, please contact Toni at 920 565-3669 or secretary@trinityhowardsgrove.org. Seats are limited.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6:30pm Board Meetings 7:00pm Softball Game	2 12:30pm Mary Martha meet at Riverdale Country Club 1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse	3	4 4:00-5:55pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Worship with Communion	5 6:00pm Williams Rehearsal	6 3:30pm Meet for Timber Ratters Game
7 8:00am Divine Worship with Communion 9:30am Divine Worship with Recognition of High School Class of 2015	8 6:30pm Council 7:00pm Softball Game	9 1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse	10 9:30am Quilters	11 4:00-5:55pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Worship with Communion	12 6:00pm Williams Rehearsal	13 3:30pm Williams Wedding Vow Renewal
14 7:30-9:30am Blood Pressure Checks 8:00am Divine Worship 9:30am Divine Worship with Communion	15 6:00-8:00pm Vacation Bible School @ LHS 7:00pm Softball Game	16 1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm-8:00pm Vacation Bible School @ LHS	17 6:00-8:00pm Vacation Bible School @ LHS	18 4:00-5:55pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Worship with Communion 6:00-8:00pm Vacation Bible School @ LHS	19	20
21 8:00am Divine Worship with Communion 9:30am Divine Worship	22 6:00pm & 7:00pm Softball Game	23 1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse	24	25 4:00-5:55pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Worship with Communion	26 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> 6:00pm Crane Rehearsal	27 3:00pm Crane Wedding Vow Renewal
28 8:00am Divine Worship 9:30am Divine Worship with Communion	29 6:00pm Softball Game	30 1:30-3:30pm Parish Nurse	<b>Notes:</b>			

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5 7:30-9:30am Blood Pressure Screening 8:00am Divine Worship with Communion 9:30am Divine Worship	6 6:30pm Board Meetings 6:00pm & 7:00pm Softball Game	7 1:30-3:00pm Parish Nurse	8 9:00am Quilters	9 4:00-5:55pm Parish Nurse 6:00pm Divine Worship with Communion	10	11
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